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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Examiner: James F. Hook Art Unit: 3752  
Invention: FLEXIBLE PIPE JOINT

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small Entity Status is asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.  
☐ No additional fee is required.  
☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

No. of Claims After Response	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate	Non-Small Entity Rate	Charge
Total <u>9</u>	<u>20</u>	x <u>0</u>	x \$ 9.00	\$ 18.00	\$ <u>00.00</u>
Indep. <u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	x <u>0</u>	x \$ 43.00	\$ 86.00	\$ <u>0</u>
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim/s			+ \$145.00	\$290.00	\$ <u>0</u>

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ 00.00

☒ A Petition for a one-month extension of time is submitted herewith, along with a check in the amount of \$55.00.

☒ The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. An original and two copies of this Transmittal are enclosed.

☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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